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SUBJ: LAW OF THE SEA

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1. WE HAVE FREQUENTLY RAISED LOS WITH MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BUT WITHOUT ANY SUCCESS IN DEVELOPING DISCUSSION ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES OR LEARNING OF THEIR PRELIMINARY VIEWS. WE HAVE PROVIDED COPY OF AMB. RICHARDSON'S MAY STATEMENT AND HAVE UTILIZED DEPARTMENT'S CABLES (INCLUDING BOTH REFTELS) AS BASIS FOR AIDE MEMOIRES DESIGNED TO GENERATE SOME GOM THINKING.

2. UNDER SECRETARY NKOMBA OF MINEXTAFF INFORMED ME AUG 17 THAT VARIOUS MINISTRIES INTERESTED IN LOS MATTERS HAVE NOT YET COME TOGETHER TO DISCUSS SUBJECT COLLECTIVELY, BUT HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR AIDE MEMOIRES WHICH HE HOPES WILL SERVE AS INCENTIVE FOR THEM TO DO SO. HE SAID THAT GOM HAD SENT OBSERVER TO 7TH LOS SESSION AND MALAWI DEL IN NEW YORK WILL ATTEND
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RESUMED SESSION.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE IMPRESSION THAT SOME SENIOR GOM OFFICIALS ARE QUITE INTERESTED IN LOS MATTERS BUT HAVE BEEN TOO PREOCCUPIED WITH OTHER ISSUES TO DEVOTE ENOUGH ATTENTION TO THIS SEEMINGLY REMOTE MATTER. MOREOVER, THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL

SIDEWAYS MOVEMENTS OF SENIOR OFFICIALS IN RECENT WEEKS
WHICH MEANS THAT IN MOST EVERY KEY MINISTRY WHICH
MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN LOS, THE SENIOR OFFICIALS ARE
JUST LEARNING THE BASICS. WE HOPE THAT EVENTUALLY
GOM MAY BE ABLE TO PUT ITS LOS ACT TOGETHER (IF INDEED
IT HAS ONE) AND WE WILL KEEP FORWARDING INFORMATION TO GOM AS
ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES.
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